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SUBJECT: ELECTRIC CORPORATION HEAD REBUKED BY PRESIDENT

REF: A) SD 4151

B) SD 4531

1. IN AN OBVIOUS REBUKE TO CDE ADMINISTRATOR JULIO SAURI, PRESIDENT BALAGUER SUBMITTED NOVEMBER 13 A BILL CREATING A "SUPERVISOR GENERAL" OF THE CORPORATION. THE NEW OFFICIAL IS TO HAVE ACCESS TO ALL CDE RECORDS AND WILL APPARENTLY REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE PRESIDENT. THE BILL WAS PASSED BY THE CONGRESS THE NEXT DAY.

2. THE PRESIDENT ALMOST CERTAINLY ACTED TO STILL THE MOUNTING CRITICISM DIRECTED AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT AND CDE FOR THE GENERAL SHORTAGE OF ELECTRICITY IN THE COUNTRY. THE FAILURE OF WESTINGHOUSE TO INSTALL TWO GAS TURBINES BY OCTOBER 14 AND NOVEMBER 14 AS PROMISED HAS NOW BECOME FRONT PAGE NEWS, NO DOUBT A RESULT OF SAURI ATTEMPTING TO DISSIPATE THE HEAT FOCUSED SO SHARPLY ON HIM. (A NOVEMBER 15 EDITORIAL IN THE PRESTIGIOUS LISTIN DIARIO CALLED SAURI ONE OF THE RARE HONEST PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND SUGGESTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD DO WELL TO MONITOR OTHER, LESS HONORABLE, AUTONOMOUS STATE AGENCIES.)

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3. SAURI, ON LEARNING OF THE BILL, REPORTEDLY AT FIRST CONSIDERED SUBMITTING HIS RESIGNATION, BUT NOW APPEARS TO HAVE EDGED AWAY FROM THAT STEP. HE SEEMS MOST CONCERNED WITH EXPEDITING THE SIGNING OF THE PENDING \$40 MILLION EX-IM LOAN FOR GENERATING EQUIPMENT, WHICH HE APPARENTLY COUNTS ON TO HELP MOLLIFY HIS CRITICS. THE EMBASSY HOPES THAT THE SIGNING WILL OCCUR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND THAT WESTINGHOUSE WILL CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO HASTEN THE INSTALLATION OF THE TURBINE GENERATORS.
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